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| Title | : MOVABLE COVER FOR RIGIDIFYING AND/OR PROTECTING THE FRONT FACE OF AN ARTICLE OF FOOTWEAR, SUCH AS A SNOWBOARD BOOT |) | |

REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111
TO THE OFFICE ACTION OF JULY 19, 2005

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Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office action dated July 19, 2005, for which Applicant requests an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) for three months, from October 19, 2005 to January 19, 2006, please enter the following amendment.

For reasons explained in the "Remarks" section below, Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and the allowance of the instant application.

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